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BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 619)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to temporary restricted licenses for
- 2 operating-while-intoxicated offenders, providing penalties,
- 3 and including applicability provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.560, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 2 2018, is amended to read as follows: b. A temporary restricted license may be issued pursuant 4 to section 321J.20, subsection 2, to a person declared to be a 5 habitual offender due to a combination of the offenses listed 6 under section 321.555, subsection 1, paragraphs "b" and "c". Sec. 2. Section 321J.2, subsection 3, paragraph c, 8 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2018, is amended to read as 9 follows: 10 Assessment of a fine of one thousand two hundred fifty 11 dollars. However, in the discretion of the court, if no 12 personal or property injury has resulted from the defendant's 13 actions, the court may waive up to six hundred twenty-five 14 dollars of the fine when the defendant presents to the court 15 at the end of the minimum period of ineligibility a temporary 16 restricted license issued pursuant to section 321J.20. Sec. 3. Section 321J.2, subsection 3, paragraph d, Code 17 18 2018, is amended to read as follows: Revocation of the person's driver's license for a minimum 20 period of one hundred eighty days up to a maximum revocation 21 period of one year, pursuant to section 321J.4, subsection 22 1, section 321J.9, or section 321J.12, subsection 2. If a 23 revocation occurs due to test refusal under section 321J.9, 24 the defendant shall be ineligible for a temporary restricted 25 license for a minimum period of ninety days. 26 (1) A defendant whose alcohol concentration is .08 or more 27 but not more than .10 shall not be eligible for any temporary 28 restricted license for at least thirty days if a test was 29 obtained and an accident resulting in personal injury or 30 property damage occurred. The department shall require the 31 defendant to install an ignition interlock device of a type 32 approved by the commissioner of public safety on all vehicles

33 owned or operated by the defendant if the defendant seeks a

34 temporary restricted license. There shall be no such period of 35 ineligibility if no such accident occurred, and the defendant

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1 shall not be required to install an ignition interlock device.
      (2) A defendant whose alcohol concentration is more than .10
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 3 shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license for
 4 at least thirty days if a test was obtained, and an accident
 5 resulting in personal injury or property damage occurred or the
 6 defendant's alcohol concentration exceeded .15. There shall be
 7 no such period of ineligibility if no such accident occurred
 8 and the defendant's alcohol concentration did not exceed .15.
 9 In either case, where a defendant's alcohol concentration is
10 more than .10, the department shall require the defendant to
11 install an ignition interlock device of a type approved by the
12 commissioner of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated
13 by the defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted
14 <del>license.</del>
               Section 321J.4, subsections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6,
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16 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:
          If a defendant is convicted of a violation of section
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18 321J.2 and the defendant's driver's license or nonresident
19 operating privilege has not been revoked under section 321J.9
20 or 321J.12 for the occurrence from which the arrest arose, the
21 department shall revoke the defendant's driver's license or
22 nonresident operating privilege for one hundred eighty days
23 if the defendant submitted to chemical testing and has had
24 no previous conviction or revocation under this chapter and
25 shall revoke the defendant's driver's license or nonresident
26 operating privilege for one year if the defendant refused to
27 submit to chemical testing and has had no previous conviction
28 or revocation under this chapter. The defendant shall not be
29 eligible for any temporary restricted license for at least
30 ninety days if a test was refused under section 321J.9.
      a. A defendant whose alcohol concentration is .08 or more
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32 but not more than .10 shall not be eligible for any temporary
33 restricted license for at least thirty days if a test was
34 obtained and an accident resulting in personal injury or
35 property damage occurred. The department shall require the
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1 defendant to install an ignition interlock device of a type
 2 approved by the commissioner of public safety on all vehicles
 3 owned or operated by the defendant if the defendant seeks a
 4 temporary restricted license. There shall be no such period of
 5 ineligibility if no such accident occurred, and the defendant
 6 shall not be required to install an ignition interlock device.
      b. A defendant whose alcohol concentration is more than .10
 8 shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license for
 9 at least thirty days if a test was obtained and an accident
10 resulting in personal injury or property damage occurred or the
11 defendant's alcohol concentration exceeded .15. There shall be
12 no such period of ineligibility if no such accident occurred
13 and the defendant's alcohol concentration did not exceed .15.
14 In either case, where a defendant's alcohol concentration is
15 more than .10, the department shall require the defendant to
16 install an ignition interlock device of a type approved by the
17 commissioner of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated
18 by the defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted
19 license.
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      c. If the defendant is under the age of twenty-one, the
21 defendant shall not be eligible for a temporary restricted
22 license for at least sixty days after the effective date of
23 revocation.
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      2. If a defendant is convicted of a violation of section
25 321J.2, and the defendant's driver's license or nonresident
26 operating privilege has not already been revoked under section
27 321J.9 or 321J.12 for the occurrence from which the arrest
28 arose, the department shall revoke the defendant's driver's
29 license or nonresident operating privilege for one year if the
30 defendant submitted to chemical testing and has had a previous
31 conviction or revocation under this chapter and shall revoke
32 the defendant's driver's license or nonresident operating
33 privilege for two years if the defendant refused to submit to
34 chemical testing and has had a previous revocation under this
35 chapter. The defendant shall not be eligible for any temporary
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1 restricted license for forty-five days after the effective date
 2 of revocation if the defendant submitted to chemical testing
 3 and shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license
 4 for ninety days after the effective date of revocation if the
 5 defendant refused chemical testing. The temporary restricted
 6 license shall be issued in accordance with section 321J.20,
 7 subsection 2. The department shall require the defendant to
 8 install an ignition interlock device of a type approved by the
 9 commissioner of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated
10 by the defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted
11 license at the end of the minimum period of ineligibility.
12 A temporary restricted license shall not be granted by the
13 department until the defendant installs the ignition interlock
14 device.
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         If the court defers judgment pursuant to section 907.3
16 for a violation of section 321J.2, and if the defendant's
17 driver's license or nonresident operating privilege has not
18 been revoked under section 321J.9 or 321J.12, or has not
19 otherwise been revoked for the occurrence from which the arrest
20 arose, the department shall revoke the defendant's driver's
21 license or nonresident operating privilege for a period of not
22 less than thirty days nor more than ninety days. The defendant
23 shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license for
24 at least ninety days if a test was refused.
      a. A defendant whose alcohol concentration is .08 or more
26 but not more than .10 shall not be eligible for any temporary
27 restricted license for at least thirty days if a test was
28 obtained and an accident resulting in personal injury or
29 property damage occurred. The department shall require the
30 defendant to install an ignition interlock device of a type
31 approved by the commissioner of public safety on all vehicles
32 owned or operated by the defendant if the defendant seeks a
33 temporary restricted license. There shall be no such period of
34 ineligibility if no such accident occurred, and the defendant
35 shall not be required to install an ignition interlock device.
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- 1 b. A defendant whose alcohol concentration is more than .10 2 shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license for 3 at least thirty days if a test was obtained and an accident 4 resulting in personal injury or property damage occurred or the 5 defendant's alcohol concentration exceeded .15. There shall be 6 no such period of ineligibility if no such accident occurred 7 and the defendant's alcohol concentration did not exceed .15. 8 In either case, where a defendant's alcohol concentration is 9 more than .10, the department shall require the defendant to 10 install an ignition interlock device of a type approved by the 11 commissioner of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated 12 by the defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted 13 license. 14 c. If the defendant is under the age of twenty-one, the 15 defendant shall not be eligible for a temporary restricted 16 license for at least sixty days after the effective date of the 17 revocation. 4. Upon a plea or verdict of guilty of a third or subsequent 18 19 violation of section 321J.2, the department shall revoke the 20 defendant's driver's license or nonresident operating privilege 21 for a period of six years. The defendant shall not be eligible 22 for a temporary restricted license for one year after the 23 effective date of the revocation. The department shall require 24 the defendant to install an ignition interlock device of a type 25 approved by the commissioner of public safety on all vehicles 26 owned or operated by the defendant if the defendant seeks a 27 temporary restricted license at the end of the minimum period 28 of ineligibility. A temporary restricted license shall not 29 be granted by the department until the defendant installs the 30 ignition interlock device. 5. Upon a plea or verdict of guilty of a violation of 31
- 34 information in the file and any other evidence the parties may

32 section 321J.2 which involved a personal injury, the court 33 shall determine in open court, from consideration of the

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1 other than the defendant and, if so, whether the defendant's 2 conduct in violation of section 321J.2 caused the serious 3 injury. If the court so determines, the court shall order 4 the department to revoke the defendant's driver's license or 5 nonresident operating privilege for a period of one year in 6 addition to any other period of suspension or revocation. 7 defendant shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted 8 license until the minimum period of ineligibility has expired 9 under this section or section 321J.9, 321J.12, or 321J.20. 10 defendant shall surrender to the court any Iowa license or 11 permit and the court shall forward it to the department with a 12 copy of the order for revocation. 6. Upon a plea or verdict of guilty of a violation of 13 14 section 321J.2 which involved a death, the court shall 15 determine in open court, from consideration of the information 16 in the file and any other evidence the parties may submit, 17 whether a death occurred and, if so, whether the defendant's 18 conduct in violation of section 321J.2 caused the death. If 19 the court so determines, the court shall order the department 20 to revoke the defendant's driver's license or nonresident 21 operating privilege for a period of six years. The defendant 22 shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license for 23 at least two years after the revocation. The defendant shall 24 surrender to the court any Iowa license or permit and the court 25 shall forward it to the department with a copy of the order for 26 revocation. 27 Sec. 5. Section 321J.9, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2018, are 28 amended to read as follows: 2. a. A person whose driver's license or nonresident 29 30 operating privileges are revoked under subsection 1 shall not 31 be eligible for a temporary restricted license for at least 32 ninety days after the effective date of the revocation. A 33 temporary restricted license issued to a person whose driver's 34 license or nonresident driving privilege has been revoked under 35 subsection 1, paragraph "b", shall be issued in accordance with

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1 section 321J.20, subsection 2.

- 2 b. The department shall require the defendant to install
- 3 an ignition interlock device of a type approved by the
- 4 commissioner of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated
- 5 by the defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted
- 6 license at the end of the minimum period of ineligibility.
- 7 A temporary restricted license shall not be granted by the
- 8 department until the defendant installs the ignition interlock
- 9 device.
- 10 3. If the person is a resident without a license or permit
- 11 to operate a motor vehicle in this state, the department shall
- 12 deny to the person the issuance of a license or permit for the
- 13 same period a license or permit would be revoked, and deny
- 14 issuance of a temporary restricted license for the same period
- 15 of ineligibility for receipt of a temporary restricted license,
- 16 subject to review as provided in this chapter.
- 17 Sec. 6. Section 321J.12, subsection 2, Code 2018, is amended
- 18 to read as follows:
- 2. a. A person whose driver's license or nonresident
- 20 operating privileges have been revoked under subsection 1,
- 21 paragraph "a", whose alcohol concentration is .08 or more but
- 22 not more than .10 shall not be eligible for any temporary
- 23 restricted license for at least thirty days after the effective
- 24 date of the revocation if a test was obtained and an accident
- 25 resulting in personal injury or property damage occurred. The
- 26 department shall require the defendant to install an ignition
- 27 interlock device of a type approved by the commissioner
- 28 of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated by the
- 29 defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary license. There
- 30 shall be no such period of ineligibility if no such accident
- 31 occurred, and the defendant shall not be required to install
- 32 an ignition interlock device.
- 33 b. A defendant whose alcohol concentration is more than .10
- 34 shall not be eligible for any temporary restricted license for
- 35 at least thirty days if a test was obtained and an accident

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1 resulting in personal injury or property damage occurred or the
 2 defendant's alcohol concentration exceeded .15. There shall be
 3 no such period of ineligibility if no such accident occurred
 4 and the defendant's alcohol concentration did not exceed .15.
 5 In either case, where a defendant's alcohol concentration is
 6 more than .10, the department shall require the defendant to
 7 install an ignition interlock device of a type approved by the
 8 commissioner of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated
 9 by the defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted
10 license.
      c. If the person is under the age of twenty-one, the person
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12 shall not be eligible for a temporary restricted license for at
13 least sixty days after the effective date of the revocation.
      d. A person whose license or privileges have been revoked
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15 under subsection 1, paragraph "b", for one year shall not be
16 eligible for any temporary restricted license for forty-five
17 days after the effective date of the revocation, and the
18 department shall require the person to install an ignition
19 interlock device of a type approved by the commissioner
20 of public safety on all vehicles owned or operated by the
21 defendant if the defendant seeks a temporary restricted
22 license at the end of the minimum period of ineligibility. The
23 temporary restricted license shall be issued in accordance with
24 section 321J.20, subsection 2. A temporary restricted license
25 shall not be granted by the department until the defendant
26 installs the ignition interlock device.
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      Sec. 7. Section 321J.13, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended
28 to read as follows:
      1. Notice of revocation of a person's noncommercial
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30 driver's license or operating privilege served pursuant to
31 section 321J.9 or 321J.12 shall include a form accompanied by a
32 preaddressed envelope on which the person served may indicate
33 by a checkmark if the person only wishes to request a temporary
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35 issuance of a temporary restricted license has ended, or if the

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1 person wishes a hearing to contest the revocation.
 2 shall clearly state on its face that the form must be completed
 3 and returned within ten days of receipt or the person's right
 4 to a hearing to contest the revocation is foreclosed.
 5 shall also be accompanied by a statement of the operation of
 6 and the person's rights under this chapter.
      Sec. 8. Section 321J.20, subsections 1, 2, and 4, Code 2018,
 8 are amended to read as follows:
      1. a. The department may, on application, issue a temporary
10 restricted license to a person whose noncommercial driver's
11 license is revoked under this chapter, or revoked or suspended
12 under chapter 321 solely for violations of this chapter,
13 or who has been determined to be a habitual offender under
14 chapter 321 based solely on violations of this chapter or on
15 violations listed in section 321.560, subsection 1, paragraph
16 "b", allowing the person to drive to and from the person's
17 home and specified places at specified times which can be
18 verified by the department and which are required by the
19 person's full-time or part-time employment, continuing health
20 care or the continuing health care of another who is dependent
21 upon the person, continuing education while enrolled in an
22 educational institution on a part-time or full-time basis and
23 while pursuing a course of study leading to a diploma, degree,
24 or other certification of successful educational completion,
25 substance abuse treatment, court-ordered community service
26 responsibilities, appointments with the person's parole or
27 probation officer, and participation in a program established
28 pursuant to chapter 901D, if the person's driver's license has
29 not been revoked previously under section 321J.4, 321J.9, or
30 321J.12 and if any of the following apply:
      (1) The person's noncommercial driver's license is revoked
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32 under section 321J.4 and the minimum period of ineligibility
33 for issuance of a temporary restricted license has expired.
34 This subsection shall not apply to a revocation ordered under
35 section 321J.4 resulting from a plea or verdict of guilty of a
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1 violation of section 321J.2 that involved a death.
      (2) The person's noncommercial driver's license is revoked
 3 under section 321J.9 and the person has entered a plea of
 4 guilty on a charge of a violation of section 321J.2 which
 5 arose from the same set of circumstances which resulted in
 6 the person's driver's license revocation under section 321J.9
 7 and the guilty plea is not withdrawn at the time of or after
 8 application for the temporary restricted license, and the
 9 minimum period of ineligibility for issuance of a temporary
10 restricted license has expired.
      (3) The person's noncommercial driver's license is revoked
12 under section 321J.12, and the minimum period of ineligibility
13 for issuance of a temporary restricted license has expired
14 operate a motor vehicle in any manner allowed for a person
15 issued a valid class C driver's license, unless otherwise
16 prohibited by this chapter.
      b. A temporary restricted license may be issued under this
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18 subsection if the person's noncommercial driver's license is
19 revoked for two years under section 321J.4, subsection 2, or
20 section 321J.9, subsection 1, paragraph "b", and the first three
21 hundred sixty-five days of the revocation have expired.
      c. This subsection does not apply to a person whose license
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23 was revoked under section 321J.2A or section 321J.4. subsection
24 4 or 6, or to a person whose license is suspended or revoked for
25 another reason.
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      d. Following the applicable minimum period of ineligibility,
27 a temporary restricted license under this subsection shall
28 not be issued until the applicant installs an ignition
29 interlock device of a type approved by the commissioner of
30 public safety on all motor vehicles owned or operated by the
31 applicant in accordance with section 321J.2, 321J.4, 321J.9,
32 or 321J.12. Installation of an ignition interlock device
33 under this subsection shall be required for the period of time
34 for which the temporary restricted license is issued and for
35 such additional period of time following reinstatement as is
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1 required under section 321J.17, subsection 3.
      2. a. Notwithstanding section 321.560, the department may,
 3 on application, and upon the expiration of the minimum period
 4 of ineligibility for a temporary restricted license provided
 5 for under section 321.560, 321J.4, 321J.9, or 321J.12, issue a
 6 temporary restricted license to a person whose noncommercial
 7 driver's license has either been revoked under this chapter, or
 8 revoked or suspended under chapter 321 solely for violations
 9 of this chapter, or who has been determined to be a habitual
10 offender under chapter 321 based solely on violations of
11 this chapter or on violations listed in section 321.560,
12 subsection 1, paragraph "b", and who is not eligible for a
13 temporary restricted license under subsection 1. However,
14 the department may not issue a temporary restricted license
15 under this subsection for a violation of section 321J.2A or
16 to a person under the age of twenty-one whose license is
17 revoked under section 321J.4, 321J.9, or 321J.12. A temporary
18 restricted license issued under this subsection may allow the
19 person to drive to and from the person's home and specified
20 places at specified times which can be verified by the
21 department and which are required by the person's full-time or
22 part-time employment; continuing education while enrolled in an
23 educational institution on a part-time or full-time basis and
24 while pursuing a course of study leading to a diploma, degree,
25 or other certification of successful educational completion;
26 substance abuse treatment; or participation in a program
27 established pursuant to chapter 901D.
      b. A temporary restricted license issued under this
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29 subsection section shall not be issued until the applicant
30 installs an approved ignition interlock device on all motor
31 vehicles owned or operated by the applicant. Installation of
32 an ignition interlock device under this subsection section
33 shall be required for the period of time for which the
34 temporary restricted license is issued, and for such additional
35 period of time following reinstatement as is required under
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1 section 321J.17, subsection 3. However, a person whose 2 driver's license or nonresident operating privilege has been 3 revoked under section 321J.21 may apply to the department for 4 a temporary restricted license without the requirement of 5 an ignition interlock device if at least twelve years have 6 elapsed since the end of the underlying revocation period for 7 a violation of section 321J.2. 4. A person holding a temporary restricted license issued 9 by the department under this section shall not operate a motor 10 vehicle for pleasure. Sec. 9. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to all persons who 11 12 apply for or are issued a temporary restricted license under 13 chapter 321J on or after July 1, 2018. The department shall 14 allow a person issued a temporary restricted license prior to 15 July 1, 2018, that is subject to the restrictions provided 16 in section 321J.20, subsection 1, paragraph "a", and section 17 321J.20, subsection 2, paragraph "a", Code 2018, to apply for 18 and be issued a temporary restricted license subject to the 19 restrictions provided in this Act. 20 EXPLANATION 21 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 22 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly. 23 This bill strikes the ineligibility periods for the issuance 24 of a temporary restricted license (TRL) under Code chapter 25 321J (operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated). The bill 26 requires the installation of an approved ignition interlock 27 device on all motor vehicles owned or operated by a holder of a 28 TRL issued under Code chapter 321J. 29 The bill strikes provisions limiting the use of a TRL 30 issued under Code chapter 321J to operating a motor vehicle 31 for purposes of a person's employment, health care, education, 32 substance abuse treatment, court-ordered community service 33 responsibilities, appointments with the person's parole or

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35 monitoring program. In addition, the bill strikes a provision

34 probation officer, or participation in a sobriety and drug

- 1 prohibiting the use of a TRL issued under Code chapter 321J to
- 2 operate a motor vehicle for pleasure. The bill provides that
- 3 the holder of a TRL issued under Code chapter 321J may operate
- 4 motor vehicles in any manner allowed for a person issued a
- 5 valid class C driver's license, unless otherwise prohibited
- 6 by Code chapter 321J. The bill does not amend provisions
- 7 prohibiting the holder of a TRL issued under Code chapter 321J
- 8 from operating a commercial motor vehicle or school bus.
- 9 The bill does not strike the two-year ineligibility period
- 10 for issuance of a TRL under Code section 707.6A for a person
- 11 who commits homicide by vehicle by operating a motor vehicle
- 12 while intoxicated.
- 13 The bill applies to all persons who apply for or are issued
- 14 a TRL under Code chapter 321J on or after July 1, 2018. The
- 15 bill requires the department of transportation to allow a
- 16 person issued a TRL prior to July 1, 2018, that is subject to
- 17 the driving restrictions provided in Code section 321J.20,
- 18 Code 2018, to apply for and be issued a TRL subject to the
- 19 restrictions provided in the bill.